Public Health Careers

**Job Description:** Work to create healthy communities through education, research and promotion of healthy lifestyles.

**What does a people in Public Health careers do?**

* A **behavioral scientist** might review patients in a smoking cessation program, help administer a community based violence prevention program, or examine ways to boost childhood immunizations.
* An **epidemiologist** might survey residents of an area about substance abuse or assist with day-to-day surveillance and control of such infectious diseases as *E. coli*, salmonella and hepatitis.
* A **nurse educator** might conduct classes in the education of health care professionals or the public, including parents.
* A **health communications specialist** might implement ways to encourage people to change certain attitudes, beliefs or behaviors so that they adopt better health practices and improve their health.

**Outlook:**

Average Salary – $21.32-$29.66 hourly, $44,340-$61,700 yearly

Projected Job Openings – varies depending on the career

**Your Interests:**

* Do you work well on team?
* Are you good at communicating your ideas with others?

**Education/Program of Study:**

* Minimum Bachelor’s degree in a related major
* Some positions will require Master’s Degree or Ph.D.